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"The Ministry of Interior has instructed the gendarmerie to turn over to the Soviets henceforth all persons entering Austria illegally from Czechoslovakia. The previous policy was, when possible, to send such border crossers to a labor camp and to release them later without informing the Soviet authorities."

25X1X Comment: The new directive is probably the result of Soviet pressure on Oskar Helmer, the Minister of Interior.

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